

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Unsatisfactory  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Unsatisfactory

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 11. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to average. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

|             | Absolute Rating | Improvement Rating |
|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>2001</b> | Unsatisfactory  | Unsatisfactory     |
| <b>2002</b> |                 |                    |
| <b>2003</b> |                 |                    |
| <b>2004</b> |                 |                    |

### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

|                         | Our School |      |      | Schools With Students Like Ours |      |      |
|-------------------------|------------|------|------|---------------------------------|------|------|
|                         | 1999       | 2000 | 2001 | 1999                            | 2000 | 2001 |
| • Passed all 3 subtests | 25.0       | 48.1 | 39.2 | 35.1                            | 43.3 | 46.1 |
| • Passed 2 subtests     | 33.8       | 16.7 | 9.8  | 26.8                            | 23.2 | 21.5 |
| • Passed 1 subtest      | 21.3       | 14.8 | 21.6 | 20.5                            | 18.9 | 15.1 |
| • Passed no subtests    | 20.0       | 20.4 | 29.4 | 17.5                            | 14.6 | 17.2 |

| ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS                                     | Our School | Schools With Students Like Ours |
|---|------------|---------------------------------|
| % of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions | 4.0%       | 3.3%                            |
| % of seniors who met the SAT requirement                              | 4.0%       | 3.9%                            |
| % of seniors who met the grade point average                          | 20.0%      | 20.7%                           |

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

| Student Group                                | Seniors                               |                                   |                 |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
|  | Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001 | Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships | Graduation Rate |
| <b>All students</b>                          | 78.3%                                 | 4.0%                              | N/A until 2003  |
| Students with disabilities other than speech | N/A                                   | 0.0%                              |                 |
| Students without disabilities                | 78.0%                                 | 4.3%                              |                 |
| <b>Gender</b>                                |                                       |                                   |                 |
| Male   | 79.4%                                 | 7.1%                              |                 |
| Female                                       | 76.0%                                 | 0.0%                              |                 |
| <b>Ethnic Group</b>                          |                                       |                                   |                 |
| African American                             | 78.6%                                 | 4.1%                              |                 |
| Hispanic                                     | N/A                                   | N/A                               |                 |
| White  | 66.7%                                 | 0.0%                              |                 |
| Other  | N/A                                   | N/A                               |                 |
| <b>Lunch Status</b>                          |                                       |                                   |                 |
| Free/reduced-price lunch                     | 75.6%                                 | 0.0%                              |                 |
| Pay for lunch                                | 100.0%                                | 33.3%                             |                 |

### STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Mastering core competencies | 50.0%  |
| Completers placed           | 100.0% |
| Eligible students enrolled  | 20.8%  |

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

|  | Our School | Change from Last Year | Schools with Students Like Ours | Median High School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>SCHOOL</b>  |            |                       |                                 |                    |
| • Dollars spent per student  | \$5,778    | N/A                   | \$7,275                         | \$5,668            |
| • Prime instructional time   | 87.9%      | Down from 90.4%       | 85.6%                           | 90.1%              |
| • Student-teacher ratio  | 22.7 to 1  | N/A                   | 17.9 to 1                       | 25.1 to 1          |
| <b>STUDENTS (n=447)</b>  |            |                       |                                 |                    |
| • Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio | 0.0%       | N/A                   | 0.0%                            | 40.0%              |
| • Attendance rate  | 95.2%      | Up from 95.0%         | 95.3%                           | 95.3%              |
| • Retention rate   | 11.2%      | Up from 4.6%          | 16.1%                           | 10.0%              |
| <b>TEACHERS (n=28)</b>   |            |                       |                                 |                    |
| • Professional Development days per teacher                          | 8.5 Days   | Up from 7.4           | 5.6 Days                        | 7.5 Days           |
| • Attendance rate  | 94.0%      | Down from 96.6%       | 94.0%                           | 95.7%              |
| • Teachers with advanced degrees                                     | 46.4%      | Down from 55.6%       | 43.5%                           | 49.4%              |
| • Continuing contract teachers                                       | 89.3%      | Up from 80.0%         | 66.7%                           | 81.0%              |
| • Teachers with out-of-field permits                                 | 3.6%       | Up from 3.3%          | 5.9%                            | 3.0%               |
| • Teachers returning from the previous school year                   | 85.6%      | N/A                   | 75.2%                           | 85.2%              |
| • Average teacher salary   | \$40,770   | Up 5.6%               | \$37,601                        | \$38,125           |

### SCHOOL FACTS

|   | Our School | Change From Last Year | Schools with Students like ours | Median High School |
|---|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>SCHOOL</b>   |            |                       |                                 |                    |
| • Dropout rate  | 0.0%       | Down from 1.1%        | 2.9%                            | 2.9%               |
| • Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries      | 56.3%      | N/A                   | 56.8%                           | 56.4%              |
| • Principal's years at the school                           | 19.0       | N/A                   | 1.0                             | 3.0                |
| • Percent of parents attending conferences                  | 98.4%      | N/A                   | 64.0%                           | 60.1%              |
| • Opportunities in the arts                                 | Good       | N/A                   | Good                            | Excellent          |
| <b>STUDENTS</b>   |            |                       |                                 |                    |
| • Older than usual for grade                                | 11.0%      | Down from 13.6%       | 20.4%                           | 10.1%              |
| • Suspended or expelled                                     | 85         | N/A                   | 13                              | 29                 |
| • Gifted and talented                                       | 0.3%       | No change             | 2.7%                            | 7.4%               |
| • With disabilities other than speech                       | 13.3%      | Up from 7.6%          | 15.3%                           | 10.7%              |
| • Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 8.1%       | N/A                   | 8.1%                            | 4.5%               |
| • Enrollment in career and technology center courses        | 93         | N/A                   | 180                             | 350                |
| • Career students participating in work-based experiences   | 4.7%       | N/A                   | 8.4%                            | 23.1%              |



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Bowman Middle/High is a rural schoolwide Title I school serving grades 6-12, with 200 students in grades 6-8 and 238 students in grades 9-12. The school population is 93.5 percent minority, with 89.9 percent receiving free/reduced lunch.

Approximately 101 students in grades 6-8 and 76 students in grades 9-12 are on Academic Improvement Plans (AIP's), as required by the State Department of Education for students performing below grade level in math and/or reading on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT).

Scores on the spring 1999 PACT indicated that Bowman Middle/High students scored below both state and district levels. The scores on the spring 2000 PACT indicated an increase of 26.2 percent in language arts in grades 6-8 and 14.16 percent increase in math in grades 6-8. In spite of the improvement, Bowman scored below both state and district levels.

We continuously strive to improve the academic achievement of all students, to increase parental participation and community involvement, and to provide a student-centered learning environment. Through Title I, we have implemented many programs including Accelerated Reader, Classroom in a Cart, SAT Stanford, Cornerstone, Skillsbank 4, Star Reading, Geometric SketchPad, and Accelerated Math. Computer labs assist with learning by providing students with access to current technology. Parents are encouraged to become involved through quarterly conferences, advisory councils, booster clubs and volunteer programs. Students participate in student advisory boards, service learning and character education activities, as well as clubs and sports.

Fifty-two percent of our faculty have earned master's degrees. A school resource officer has been added to the staff. Last year, all seniors graduated with a high school diploma and 78 percent enrolled in two or four year colleges.

Our belief is that all children at Bowman Middle/High can and will learn in an effective and productive school with the support and cooperation of our parents and our community.

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

| Percent  | Teachers | Students | Parents       |
|--|----------|----------|---------------|
| Satisfied with learning environment            | 50.0     | 57.7     | (Avail. 2002) |
| Satisfied with social and physical environment | 50.0     | 57.7     |               |
| Satisfied with home-school relations           | 40.9     | 57.7     |               |

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Bowman High  
1318 Bowman Branch Highway  
Bowman, SC 29018

**Grades** 6-12 High School

**Enrollment:** 447 Students

### Principal

Brenda Jamison 803-829-2873

### Superintendent

Mr. Melvin Smoak 803-534-5454

### Board Chair

Mr. Melvin Crum 803-536-6693



## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

**2001**

School Grade:  
Unsatisfactory



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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